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SUBJECT: PRC OIL FOR SINGAPORE REFINERY

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1. RELAABLE SOURCE HERE, CLOSE TO CRC, GIVES A SLIGHTLY
DIFFERENT VERSION OF THE NEGOTIONS BETWEEN CRC AND THE
SINGAPORE PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR THE DELIVERY OF CHINESE
CRUDE TO SINGAPORE FOR PROCESSING. ACCORDING TO THIS
VERSION, THE REFINED PRODUCTS ARE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO
THE SINGAPORE COMPANY FOR LOCAL MARKETING EXCEPT THAT THE
CRC WOULD AGREE TO TAKE DELIVERY OF THE BUNKER FUEL IN SING-
APORE AND USE IT FOR BUNKERING CHINESE VESSELS TRANSITING SING-
APORE. THE SOUCE DESCRIBES THE DEAL AS "SMALL SCALE" AND UNRELATED
TO THE PRC'D OBLIGATION TO DELIVER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO
VIETNAM. ONCE THE SAMPLES OF CRUDE ARE PROCESSED BY SPC
AND FOUND TO BE SATISFACTORY, CRC OFFICIALS EXPECT THE US
OIL REPRESENTATIVES TO COME TO HONG KONG AND COMPLETE THE
NEGOTIATIONS.

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2. WHILE IN THEROY PRC PETROLEUM COULD BE REFINED IN

SINGAPORE FOR DELIVERY TO THE DRV (A NUMBER OF PRC INTERNAL FACTORS COULD COMBINE TO STRAIN PRC CAPABILITIES FOR ANY STEP-UP OF DELIVERIES OF DOMESTICALLY-REFINED PETROLEUM TO THE DRV), AN EARLIER APPROACH TO MOBIL (SEE HK 371, PARA 5, AND MEMCON OF JANUARY 10, 1975 REGARDING "MOBIL OIL RELATIONS WITH THE PRC") ALONG THE SAME LINES AS OUTLINED BY THE SOURCE MENTIONED ABOVE, LENDS SUPPORT TO THE VIEW THAT CRC IS AIMING AT THE LOCAL SINGAPORE MARKET.
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